

CHAPTER-8 | A House Is Not A Home

QUIZ
PART-04

1. What did the author notice one Sunday afternoon while doing his homework?
- His cat playing near the window
 - Smoke pouring through the seams of the ceiling
 - A stranger knocking at the door
 - His books catching fire

(B)

Explanation: He noticed smoke filling the room quickly as it poured through the seams of the ceiling.

2. What did the author's mother first take with her when she ran out of the burning house?
- Clothes and shoes
 - Jewelry and ornaments
 - A small metal box of important documents
 - A handbag with money

(C)

Explanation: She ran out carrying a box full of important documents.

3. Why did the author break down in tears after the fire?
- He was injured in the fire
 - His books were stolen
 - He lost his home, old school, and his cat
 - His friends did not visit him

(C)

Explanation: He felt overwhelmed because his house burned down and his cat was missing, along with the loss of his familiar life.

4. Which words show the author's insecurity and fear after the fire?
- "Everything is going to be fine."
 - "I just wanted to curl up and die."
 - "I will rebuild stronger."
 - "This is only temporary."

(B)

Explanation: His words revealed deep insecurity about his future and his feelings of being an outcast.

5. What habit of the cat showed the close bond between her and the author?
- She often brought him food
 - She sat beside him when he did his homework
 - She liked to sleep outside
 - She used to run away often

(B)

Explanation: The cat's habit of sitting near him during homework reflected their strong bond.

6. Who eventually brought back the author's missing cat?
- A fireman
 - His grandparents
 - A stranger lady
 - His schoolmate

(C)

Explanation: A stranger woman found the cat, identified her through the collar, and returned her.

7. What generous act did the schoolmates perform for the author after the fire?
- They gave him money for a new house
 - They collected school supplies, clothes, and notebooks for him
 - They offered him free food daily
 - They repaired his books

(B)

Explanation: His classmates showed kindness by gathering supplies and clothes for him.

8. How did the actions of the schoolmates emotionally comfort the author?
- They made him laugh with jokes
 - They ignored his sadness
 - They introduced themselves and showed genuine concern
 - They promised to rebuild his house

(C)

Explanation: Their warm introductions and concern gave him emotional support and helped him overcome loneliness.

9. What does the author mean when he says, "My cat was back and so was I"?
- He had left the city and returned
 - He had physically gone missing
 - He mentally recovered from depression when his cat returned
 - He planned to move to a new place

(C)

Explanation: It symbolized his emotional recovery and return to normal life after the cat's return.

10. Why does the author say that he had "not gone anywhere" when using the phrase "so was I"?
- Because he had been hiding nearby
 - Because he was only lost in his own thoughts
 - Because he had been traveling
 - Because he was physically asleep

(B)

Explanation: The author clarified that it was his gloomy state of mind, not his physical absence, that made him feel lost.